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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Prior Application: 08/783,869

Art Unit: 2731

Examiner: K. Yao

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SIR: This is a request for filing a

Continuation  Continuation-in-Part  Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 08/783,869 filed January 16, 1997 of Donald R. ELLIS et al. for SELF-HEALING LINK SWITCHED RING FOR ATM TRAFFIC.

1.  Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the Declaration and drawings, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 08/783,869 as originally filed on January 16, 1997.
2.  Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125.
3.  Cancel Claims 13-16, 19, 20, and 22.
4.  A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
5.  The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 3 and 4 above.

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$ 760	\$ 760.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	18	-	20	0	x \$18	
Independent Claims	4	-	3	1	x \$78	78.00
[ ] Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$260	
					Subtotal	\$ 838.00
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity					-	
					TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE	\$ 838.00

6.  A check in the amount of \$ 838.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
7.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
8.  Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the sentence:

--This is a  continuation  division of application Serial No. 08/783,869, filed January 16, 1997 --which is incorporated herein by reference.
9.  New formal drawings are enclosed.
10.  The prior application is assigned of record to: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
11.  Priority of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy  
 is enclosed or       is on file in the prior application.
12.  A verified statement claiming small entity status  
 is enclosed or       is on file in the prior application.
13.  The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the following: FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P., Douglas B. Henderson, Reg. No. 20,291; Ford F. Farabow, Jr., Reg. No. 20,630; Arthur S. Garrett, Reg. No. 20,338; Donald R. Dunner, Reg. No. 19,073; Brian G. Brunsvold, Reg. No. 22,593; Tipton D. Jennings, IV, Reg. No. 20,645; Jerry D. Voight, Reg. No. 23,020; Laurence R. Hefter, Reg. No. 20,827; Kenneth E. Payne, Reg. No. 23,098; Herbert H. Mintz, Reg. No. 26,691; C. Larry O'Rourke, Reg. No. 26,014; Albert J. Santorelli, Reg. No. 22,610; Michael C. Elmer, Reg. No. 25,857; Richard H. Smith, Reg. No. 20,609; Stephen L. Peterson, Reg. No. 26,325; John M. Romary, Reg. No. 26,331; Bruce C. Zotter, Reg. No. 27,680; Dennis P. O'Reilley, Reg. No. 27,932; Allen M. Sokal, Reg. No. 26,695; Robert D. Bajefsky, Reg. No. 25,387; Richard L. Stroup, Reg. No. 28,478; David W. Hill, Reg. No. 28,220; Thomas L. Irving, Reg. No. 28,619; Charles E. Lipsey, Reg. No. 28,165; Thomas W. Winland, Reg. No. 27,605; Basil J. Lewris, Reg. No. 28,818; Martin I. Fuchs, Reg. No. 28,508; E. Robert Yoches, Reg.

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14.  The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.
15.  Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
16.  Please address all correspondence to FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT and DUNNER, L.L.P., 1300 I Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005-3315.
17.  Recognize as associate attorney \_\_\_\_\_  
(name, address & Reg. No.)
18.  Also enclosed is \_\_\_\_\_

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION.** If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in the parent application, serial no. 08/783,869, filed January 16, 1997, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested,

such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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By:

  
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